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House Resolution 2134

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Reece of the 11th, Crawford of the 16th, and Loudermilk of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Derrick Wade, recipient of the Georgia Occupational Award
- 2 of Leadership; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Derrick Wade is the Coosa Valley Technical College Georgia Occupational
- 4 Award of Leadership (GOAL) winner for 2008, having attained the distinction of being
- 5 selected by the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce selection committee for his excellence
- 6 in academic achievement and personal development; and
- 7 WHEREAS, GOAL was begun in 1971 as a state-wide recognition program of excellence
- 8 in technical education and recognizes students who exemplify that which is best about the
- 9 technical college system of Georgia and its institutions: the commitment to excellence in
- scholarship and a lifelong quest for knowledge and understanding; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Derrick Wade is also a hero who diligently served this nation as a United States
- 12 Marine, having honorably served for 12 years including his service in the Iraq conflict where
- 13 he was injured bravely defending his country; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Derrick Wade is also a devoted husband and loving father to his three
- 15 daughters; and
- 16 WHEREAS, students like Mr. Wade are this state's most valuable resource, and such an
- outstanding Georgia citizen is greatly appreciated for his work to enhance the intellectual,
- 18 economic, social, civic, and cultural well-being of his community; and
- 19 WHEREAS, this amazing scholar has shown by the example of his academic
- 20 accomplishments that the pursuit and attainment of scholastic success is within the reach of
- 21 the students in this state; and

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1 WHEREAS, he personifies the selfless dedication, mental agility, and personal maturity

- 2 necessary for superlative academic performance and it is abundantly fitting and proper for
- 3 this body to honor the extraordinary accomplishments, intellectual achievements, and
- 4 unsurpassed commitment to excellence of such an outstanding individual.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 6 the members of this body recognize and congratulate Derrick Wade, the Coosa Valley
- 7 Technical College Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL) winner for 2008,
- 8 commend him for his outstanding service to the citizens of this state, and convey their best
- 9 wishes in his future endeavors.
- 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Derrick Wade.